



Released: July 20, 2003

Vol. 23, No. 14

Indiana Agriculture Report

United States Department of Agriculture

Indiana Agricultural
Statistics Service

1435 Win Hentschel Blvd.
Suite B105

West Lafayette, IN 47906-4145
(765) 494-8371

WINTER WHEAT UP FROM JUNE FORECAST

Based on conditions July 1, Indiana's 2003 winter wheat crop is expected to total 27.3 million bushels, 56 percent above last year's estimate of 17.5 million bushels. The expected yield of 65 bushels per acre is up 2 bushels from the June 1 forecast. If realized, this would be 4 bushels below the previous record of 69 bushels per acre established in 2000. Intended acreage for harvest as grain, at 420,000 acres, is up 27 percent from a year earlier. As of July 6, wheat harvest had advanced to 55 percent complete. This compares

with 62 percent last year and 66 percent for average.

Indiana's peach crop is forecast at 3.4 million pounds (70.8 thousand bushels), 10 percent more than the 3.10 million pounds produced during 2002.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.72 billion bushels. This is up 6 percent from last month and 50 percent above 2002. The U.S. yield is forecast at 47.0 bushels per acre, up 2.4 bushels from last month.

Inside this issue

Wheat Forecast
Vegetable Report
Milk Production
Dairy Products
Crop Progress
Apple Disposition



ACRES FOR HARVEST, YIELD AND PRODUCTION INDIANA AND UNITED STATES: 2002 - 2003

Crop	Acres for Harvest			Yield Per Acre		Production			Unit
	2002	2003	03/02	2002	2003	2002	2003	03/02	
	Thousands		Percent			Thousands		Percent	
Indiana:									
Winter Wheat	330	420	127	53.0	65.0	17,490	27,300	156	Bu
Peaches	---	---	---	---	---	3,100	3,400	110	Lbs
Fall Potatoes	2.8	2.9	104	260	1/	728	1/	---	Cwt
United States:									
Winter Wheat	29,651	36,491	123	38.5	47.0	1,142,802	1,715,912	150	Bu
Peaches	---	---	---	---	---	2,575,400	2,623,100	102	Lbs
Fall Potatoes	1,275.7	1,254.2	98	363	1/	462,713	1/	---	Cwt

1/ The first forecast of fall potato production will be released November 12, 2003.

PROCESSING VEGETABLE ACREAGE

The 2003 contracted tomato acreage for Indiana is estimated at 8,400 acres, up 2 percent from a year ago. The contracted tonnage for Indiana tomatoes, at 247,450 tons, is 4 percent below the 2002 contracted tonnage. The 2003 Indiana contracted snap beans for processing, at 6,800 acres, is 10 percent above the 6,200 acres contracted during 2002.

Vegetable processors have contracted 1.28 million acres to be planted to the 5 major vegetable crops (snap beans,

sweet corn, cucumbers for pickles, green peas, and tomatoes). This acreage is up 1 percent from last year for comparable States. Acreage increases for cucumbers for pickles and green peas more than offset decreases in snap beans, sweet corn, and tomatoes from last year's comparable States. Green pea production, at 411,820 tons, is up 19 percent from 2002. Contracted tomato production is forecast at 11.1 million tons, down 3 percent from 2002 for comparable States.

PROCESSING VEGETABLES: PROSPECTIVE PLANTING BY CROP INDIANA & UNITED STATES, 2001 - 2003

INDIANA & UNITED STATES, 2001 - 2005					
Crop	Planted Area				Contract Change 03/02
	2001 Total	2002		2003 Contract Intentions	
		Total	Contract		
<u>Acres</u>					
<u>Percent</u>					
Indiana					
Snap Beans	6,800	6,200	6,200	6,800	110
Cucumbers for	1,800	1,600	1,600	2,100	131
Tomatoes	8,600	8,200	8,200	8,400	102
United States					
Snap Beans	209,78	225,100	220,200	197,100	90
Sweet Corn	457,65	444,800	444,230	443,800	100
Cucumbers for	112,11	121,800	79,800	101,800	128
Green Peas	218,14	228,500	228,500	241,750	106
Tomatoes	279,93	317,100	311,100	299,600	96



INDIANA MILK PRODUCTION DOWN 1 PERCENT

Indiana's milk production totaled 215 million pounds during June 2003, 1 percent below a year earlier. The number of milk cows on farms totaled 143,000 head, down 5 percent from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 20 major States during June totaled 12.3 billion pounds, down fractionally from production in these same States in June 2002.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,587 pounds for June 2003, unchanged from the previous year. The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.77 million head, 11,000 head less than May 2003, and 10,000 head less than June 2002.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION INDIANA, AND SELECTED STATES, JUNE 2002-2003

State	Milk Cows <u>1/</u>		Milk Per Cow <u>2/</u>		Milk Production <u>2/</u>		
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2003 as % of 2002
	Thousand Head		Pounds		Million Pounds		Percent
INDIANA	151	143	1,440	1,500	217	215	99
Illinois	115	110	1,470	1,525	169	168	99
Iowa	210	201	1,510	1,550	317	312	98
Kentucky	123	118	1,080	1,015	133	120	90
Michigan	300	299	1,665	1,710	500	511	102
Minnesota	490	475	1,445	1,455	708	691	98
Ohio	264	261	1,425	1,460	376	381	101
Wisconsin	1,270	1,256	1,455	1,475	1,848	1,853	100
20 State Total	7,782	7,772	1,587	1,587	12,348	12,333	100



1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS

U.S. butter production during May 2003 was 115 million pounds, 9 percent below May 2002 and 7 percent below April 2003. American type cheese production totaled 319 million pounds for the month, 3 percent below last year but 3 percent above last month. Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 740 million pounds, 1 percent below May 2002 but 3 percent above April 2003. Creamed cottage cheese production was 32.8 million pounds, and lowfat cottage cheese in the U.S. totaled 33.3 million pounds.

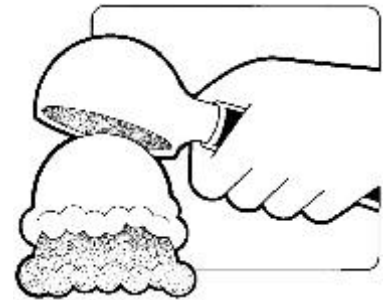
The Nation's dairy plants produced 78.7 million gallons of hard ice cream during May 2003, up 1 percent from the same period last year. Hard lowfat ice cream output totaled 9.9 million gallons, 12 percent below the May 2002 level. Hard sherbet production was 5.3 million gallons for the month, up 1 percent from the previous year. Total frozen yogurt production was 6.5 million gallons, down 6 percent from May 2002.

**PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS
UNITED STATES, MAY 2003 WITH COMPARISONS 1/**

Product	May 2002	Apr 2003	May 2003	Percent of	
				May 2002	Apr 2003
	<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>	
Butter	125.5	122.7	114.6	91	93
American Cheese <u>2/</u>	329.9	308.6	319.1	97	103
All Cheese	748.3	721.4	740.0	99	103
Cottage Cheese, Curd	39.6	39.4	37.6	95	95
Cottage Cheese, Cream	33.0	33.9	32.8	99	97
Cottage Cheese, Lowfat	34.7	33.2	33.3	96	100
	<u>Million Gallons</u>			<u>Percent</u>	
Frozen Products					
Ice Cream (Hard)	77.6	79.4	78.7	101	99
Lowfat Ice Cream (Hard)	11.2	10.2	9.9	88	97
Sherbet (Hard)	5.3	5.4	5.3	101	98
Frozen Yogurt	6.9	6.4	6.5	94	102

1/ Percents may not calculate due to rounding.

2/ Includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack.



CROP PROGRESS

Frequent showers and thunderstorms continue to pop up in many areas around the state. Several inches of rain fell again last week in some areas. Many central and northern areas have already received more than twice the normal precipitation amount for July. The severe flooding and ponding have caused serious damage to major crops on many Indiana farms. The total impact of the water damage to corn, soybeans and wheat is undetermined at this point in time. Early assessment by reporters indicate the heaviest damage is in the northwest and central regions of the state. Impact of the weather damage will be reflected in the August crop report. Severe damage and total loss of crops is expected in many river bottom fields. Water has subsided in some fields, but major flooding still exists along river bottom fields.

As of July 13th, corn condition was rated 52 percent good to excellent compared with 48 percent last year at this time.

Thirteen percent of the corn acreage had silked compared with 8 percent last year and 33 percent for the average. Soybean condition was rated 51 percent good to excellent compared with 51 percent a year earlier. Twenty-three percent of the soybean acreage was blooming compared with 20 percent last year and 42 percent for the average. One percent of the soybean acreage was setting pods compared with 3 percent last year and 8 percent for the average. Winter wheat harvest was 61 percent complete compared with 87 percent for the average.

Livestock continued to be under some stress from the standing water and heat. Pasture condition was rated 66 percent good to excellent. Second cutting of alfalfa hay was 32 percent complete compared with 48 percent last year and 63 percent for the average.

2002 APPLE UTILIZATION

Indiana's 2002 apple harvest totaled 40.0 million pounds, down 25 percent from the 2001 crop. Utilized production at 36.0 million was down 22 percent from the year before. A total of 26.0 million pounds or 72 percent of utilized production was used for fresh market, while 10.0 million pounds were used in processed products. Indiana farmers received an average price of 26.5 cents per pound for their apples, 8.0 cents more than a year earlier. The total value of the utilized crop increased 12 percent to 9.5 million dollars.

Nationally, utilized apple production for 2002 is estimated at 8.41 billion pounds, down 9 percent from the 2001 level. Washington's utilized production increased 2 percent compared to the weather reduced 2001 crop, despite a 2 percent decrease in the 2002 bearing acreage. California, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Virginia decreased utilized production from the previous year due to poor weather, combined with reduced bearing acreage in California, Michigan, and Pennsylvania.

APPLE PRODUCTION, UTILIZED PRODUCTION, PRICE AND VALUE SELECTED STATES AND U.S.: 2001 - 2002

State	Total Production		Utilized Production		Price Per Pound		Value of Utilized Production	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
	<u>Million Pounds</u>		<u>Million Pounds</u>		<u>Cents</u>		<u>1,000 Dollars</u>	
Indiana	53.0	40.0	46.0	36.0	18.5	26.5	8,521	9,528
Illinois	43.6	43.0	40.6	35.3	23.7	35.9	9,613	12,678
Kentucky	8.3	5.6	7.0	4.0	29.0	31.8	2,030	1,272
Michigan	930.0	500.0	900.0	495.0	9.4	12.4	84,335	61,223
New York	1,000.0	680.0	940.0	630.0	11.9	16.2	111,860	101,980
Ohio	86.0	70.0	84.0	70.0	23.6	26.8	19,831	18,750
Washington	5,050.0	5,150.0	5,050.0	5,150.0	17.8	19.9	900,250	1,024,850
United States	9,428.7	8,555.6	9,214.4	8,405.0	15.8	18.7	1,453,073	1,571,189

Greg Preston, State Statistician
E-mail Address: nass-in@nass.usda.gov
WWW Address: <http://www.nass.usda.gov/in/>

Steve Wilson, Deputy State Statistician

PRSR STD
POSTAGE & FEES PAID
USDA
PERMIT NO. G-38

INDIANA AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
1435 WIN HENTSCHEL BLVD.
SUITE B105
WEST LAFAYETTE IN 47906-4145